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Morning Order of Service Palm Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007 @ 11am

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**Welcome and Announcements**

**Preparation for The Word**

**Call to Worship**

**PRAISE**      *"Make way, make way"*                      *MP 457*

**Prayer**

**Proclamation Of The Word**

**Children's Address**

**PRAISE**      *"Jesus Loves me"*                                      *Hymn 418*

**Reading**      *1 John 3v10-24*

**Sermon**      *"Family Ties"*

**Response to the Word**

**PRAISE**      *"When we walk with the Lord"*                      *MP 760*

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Offering**

**Dedication**

**PRAISE**      *"I will offer up my life"*                                      *MP 990*

**Benediction**

Tea will be served in the Main Hall after this service (Everyone is invited to stay)

## **Today@First**

- 10am **Sunday School and Bible Class** (Church halls)
- 10:30 **Prayer Time** (Minister's room). Everyone Welcome.
- 11am **Morning Worship** - Rev Curry. "Family Ties" | John 3v10-24  
Crèche - pre school (Minor Hall), Junior Church (Main Hall)  
The service will be followed by a cup of Tea in the main hall (All welcome)
- 2.30pm **Choir Practices** for the Holy Week Mission & Easter (In Church)
- 6pm **Evening Worship – Start of 'Holy Week Mission'**  
"Believing ...the world needs the Gospel." (Rev Smith)  
This service will also include the sacrament of Baptism.

## **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- 7:30-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)
- 8pm **Holy Week Mission** - *Believing ... my life has a meaning.* (Rev Curry)

## **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 2:30pm **Friendly Hour** in Minor Hall, Join us for a short service followed by a cup of tea, for transport contact Iris Brown. All Welcome
- 7:30-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)
- 8pm **Holy Week Mission** - *Believing ... we are born rebels.* (Rev Smith)
- 9:15-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)

## **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)
- 8pm **Holy Week Mission** - *Believing ... Christ makes a difference.* (Rev Curry)

## **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)
- 8pm **Holy Week Mission** - *Believing ... who Jesus really is.* (Rev Smith)

## **Friday 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30-45 **Prayer Time** in Minister's Room (All welcome)
- 8pm **Holy Week Mission** - *Believing ... Jesus Had to die.* (Rev Curry)

## Easter Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2007

6.15am **Dawn Service** at Slieve Gallion (*Breakfast in hall after service*)  
**NO Sunday School or Bible Class** (*Resumes 15<sup>th</sup> April*)

10:30 **Prayer Time** (*Minister's room*). Everyone Welcome.

11am **Morning Worship** – “Believing ... Jesus is Risen.” (Rev Curry)  
Crèche - pre school (*Minor Hall*), Junior Church (*Main Hall*)

6pm **Evening Worship – Close of Holy Week Mission**  
“Believing ... there is more than this life.” (Rev Smith)

## Holy Week Mission OFFERINGS

From Monday to Thursday at the Holy Week mission there will be a **retiring offering**  
This is for Mission Projects supported by our congregation  
(*in particular for the project to send containers to Malawi – see yellow information sheets*)

On Good Friday an offering will be taken up for the costs of the Holy Week Mission.

## Church Notices

1. **PWA Committee** to meet in the Minor hall after this morning's service.
2. The Church is now set up to receive regular contributions on a monthly **direct debit** basis. If you would be interested in contributing to the church in this way, please contact Albert Hogg (07879834249) for more details and the appropriate forms.
3. **Monthly Prayer Diary** is available. Items for prayer for the next prayer diary should be left in the prayer boxes or sent to [Minister@firstmagherafelt.org](mailto:Minister@firstmagherafelt.org)
4. **Holy Week Mission “Easter – a ‘Cross’ the bridge to life.”** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Further details are in the prayer cards, which are available on the tables. Please pray for this special week, plan to come and bring family and friends, extra invitations are available on the tables.
5. **Easter Sunday morning breakfast** (8<sup>th</sup> April). Easter Sunday Presbytery Dawn Service will be held at Slieve Gallion at 6:15am, Rev Jonathan Currie (Union Rd) will be the speaker. *If you are planning to be at this service we would invite you for breakfast afterwards in the church hall. Further details from Jackie Smyth.*
6. A leaflet giving details about the **Container for Malawi** project is available. Further details from Maureen Stevenson / Hugh Stewart.
7. **Parent & Toddlers** will reopen after Easter on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.
8. **ACE event** to be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in Springhill, Moneymore.
9. Due to a change in administration the annual subscriptions for **Wider World 2007** will be collected at the beginning of each year instead of at the end. 2007 price is £3. Please forward 2007 subscriptions in the envelopes provided. They may be returned on the collection plates.
10. The well-known speaker and author **John Blanchard** will be the speaker at a special service to be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2007 in First Magherafelt. This service has been arranged in conjunction with other local Presbyterian Churches. Please note this in your diary and plan to come and bring others.
11. **Recycle old mobiles** and raise money to help Christians who are persecuted for their faith. Release International will receive an average of £3 for every mobile phone donated. Please return unwanted mobile phones to Jackie Smyth.

## Other Notices

1. **Magherafelt Active Aging Programme** is now running at the Greenvale Leisure Centre. For further information see the Hall Notice Board.

## **Holy WEEK Mission**

1. *That we will all be challenged as we focus on what Jesus did for us.*
2. *Pray that God will prepare hearts to receive His word and many will respond. Pray that God's Spirit will move in people's hearts.*
3. *Pray for the Organist, choir & others as they provide special music. Pray that people hearts will be softened and receptive to the gospel.*
4. *Pray for Rev Ivor Smith and Rev Jonathan Curry as they prepare their messages. Pray that their words will be relevant and challenging to all.*

5. Pray that **worship, prayers, and testimonies** will speak powerfully to all present.
6. Pray for **good attendance at the meetings** and especially that many from our congregation will come along throughout the week.
7. Also pray **as we invite** friends, family and neighbors that they will be willing to come.

## **PCI Prayerline**

**KENYA** -Honey purchased last week in outlying areas around Tuum totaled almost 1 ton. The plan to have a packing sub-station below Maralal looks set to happen, as the modern hives there have produced a lot of honey. They hope to centrifuge the honey out of combs next week, and market the honey under the Samburu label used in Tuum. this will be the result of three years working with people from this village at Baawa.

Prayer Points –

- Give thanks for the development of the honey project.
- Give thanks also for a good teaching time last week in Tuum, and for the subsequent outreach near South Horr at which several people claimed to receive salvation.

**The new Girls' Secondary School** in Tuum is coming to the end of its first term – finishing on 4th April. Teachers and pupils seem to have settled well and examinations are taking place this week.

Prayer Points –

- Give thanks that the first term of the school has gone so well.
- Pray that there has been a greater understanding of salvation in many of the pupils for whom this is very new..

**PCI in SPAIN** - Derek and Jane French are continuing with their work with GBU, from their new work base in Bilbao.

Prayer Points –

- Pray for the universities in the North of Spain (Bilbao, Vitoria, Pamplona, San Sebastian and Santander); that there would be a fervent witness to Jesus Christ in each one.
- Pray that Christian students at the universities would catch the vision of being evangelists and of making disciples during their time at university and continuing on as they enter the working world.
- Pray that in each university God would raise up a student team and that mature Christian students would be willing to take a year out to be part of a team ministry.
- Pray for a good relationship between the student work and the local churches and that the local churches would be supportive of the student work.

**Rotas** (Please speak to those who arrange rotas if there are any changes).

**Welcoming Committee** (Rota - Jr. Todd).

April – H McKay, T Johnston, R McKeown, A Crossett, R Crossett, D Steele & H Stewart.

**Crèche for Pre School children.** (Rota – J Gregg).

Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – E Savage & D Brown                      Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – C Gorman & J Gregg.

**Junior Church for Primary School Children.** (Rota - A Crossett).

Apr – Helen Badger, Doreen Brown & Lorna Curry.

**Flowers** Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – E Freestone                      Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – C Kane                      Del – I Duncan.

**Parent & Toddlers** (Rota - M Smyth)

Apr 4<sup>th</sup> – Brenda Hogg, Rosemary Kerr, May Hogg & Irene Duncan.

**Projection** (Rota - W Currie).                      Apr 1<sup>st</sup> - W Currie    Apr 2<sup>nd</sup> – J Evans

Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> – L Crossett    Apr 4<sup>th</sup> – W Currie    Apr 5<sup>th</sup> – L Crossett    Apr 6<sup>th</sup> J Evans    Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – W Currie

**Opening Praise** (Rota–M Boyce).    Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – Palm Sunday                      Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – J Smyth

**Sound Desk** (Rota–J Smyth)                      Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – R McKeown                      Apr 8<sup>th</sup> – W Smith.

Announcements to be with Rev Curry or Church Office by 12noon on Thursday each week.

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